What affect has the Caste system had on the people on India?

* Separated people into diverse groups and cultures/religions
* Redistricted job, diet, and who they socialized with
  + Had to marry people within their own Caste
* Forced children to stay in the caste under which they were born

How did village life differ from family life?

* First loyalties went to the family over the village
* Similar hierarchy
  + Oldest male, had complete control of house hold
  + Land lords had control over the land of the village
* Family Life was concerned about the care of their relates, while villagers were concerned about their duties in society

How were married and unmarried women viewed as in India?

* Woman’s duty was to marry and to serve their husband
* Women position was inferior
  + Women had Shakti (creative energy)
* Women lacked knowledge to control their power
  + Were seen dangerous unless ruled by a man
* Widowed women
  + Forbidden to remarry
  + Viewed as unlucky